

under CRF is being monitored by Union Government to guard against diversion of funds for other schemes by State Governments;

(b) If so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI T.G. VENKATRAMAN) : (a) Funds under the Central Road Fund (CRF) are allocated to the States for the specific schemes proposed by them. However, responsibility for the implementation of the same lies with the concerned State Government.

(b) and (c). Do not arise.

Water Supply from MES to Ranikhet Cantonment Board

3493. SHRI BACHI SINGH PAWAT 'BACHDA' : Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Government are aware of the system of bulk water supply from MES to Ranikhet Cantonment Board;

(b) if so, the rate at which the water is being supplied to Cantonment Board as fixed by the Union Government;

(c) whether there is any upward revision in rates by the MES or the Union Government after the fixation of rates;

(d) if so, the details thereof and whether there are any arrears due from the Cantonment Board to MES, Ranikhet;

(e) whether any scheme for augmentation of water for the civil population is pending with the Director General Defence Estate/Ministry of Defence;

(f) if so, whether the cost of water supply has been subsidised by the Central Government; and the differences in the cost has been adjusted by the concerned controller of Defence Accounts; and

(g) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI N.V.N. SOMU) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c). Water is supplied by MES @ Rs. 6.76 per 1000 gallons since 1977 as fixed by the Government. There has been no upward revision by the Government since then.

(d) Arrears to the tune of Rs. 28.19,701/- are outstanding against the Cantonment Board for payment.

(e) No, Sir.

(f) and (g). The cost of water supply has not been subsidised by the Government. MES receives water

from KUMAUN JAL NIGAM at the following rates :

Upto 1990-91	Rs. 8.10 per kilo litre
1991-92	Rs. 8.79 per kilo litre
1992-93	Rs. 15.48 per kilo litre
1993-94	Rs. 14.77 per kilo litre
(Onwards)	

The difference in cost has not been adjusted by Controller of Defence Accounts so far.

[Translation]

Reena Tola Reservoir Project

3494. SHRI FAGGAN SINGH KULESTE : Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state :

(a) whether any proposal has been received regarding Reena-Tola Reservoir Project in Mandla district of Madhya Pradesh;

(b) if so, the time of receipt of the said proposal;

(c) the details of the decision taken in this regard;

(d) the number of schemes pertaining to Mandla pending for approval with the Union Government alongwith details;

(e) whether there is any delay in clearance of these schemes; and

(f) if so, the reasons therefor and the time by which these schemes are likely to be cleared?

THE MINISTER OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI JANESHWAR MISHRA) : (a) Reena Tola Reservoir Project Report has not been received in the Central Water Commission for Techno-economic appraisal.

(b) and (c). Do not arise.

(d) Two projects namely Thanwar Tank and Upper Narmada which benefit Mandla district of Madhya Pradesh and are estimated to cost Rs. 24.40 crores and 211.92 crores respectively are pending clearance. The detailed Project Reports for these projects were received in the Central Water Commission for Techno-economic appraisal in December, 1989 and September, 1996 respectively.

(e) and (f). The Thanwar Tank Project was found acceptable by the Advisory Committee in March, 1991, subject to evaluation of socio-economic status of oustees and provision of additional amount for Rehabilitation and Resettlement plans. The project is pending as the State Government has not complied with the observations of the Advisory Committee. Modified Report of Upper Narmada Project has been received recently in September, 1996. Though, there is a prescribed time limit for clearance of the projects, the delay is due to the time taken by the State Government in compliance